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General George S. Brown
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear George:

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Sincerely,

/s/ Bill
W. E. Colby
Director

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The Honorable James R. Schlesinger
The Secretary of Defense
Washington, D. C. 20301

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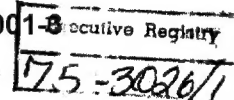
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Admiral Noel A. M. Gayler, USN
Commander-in-Chief, Pacific
FPO San Francisco 96610

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